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Whitehall, July 2.

HIS Majesty has been pleased to issue out his Royal Proclamation, setting forth, That being given to understand by the Company of Merchant-Adventurers, That their Trade, and the Liberties granted unto them have been very much invaded and infringed, and principally by Aliens, and other Foreigners, who have been Naturalized, and made Denizens; but in requital of the grace and favour toward them, make it their endeavours to destroy the said Company; and that being under no Regulation for exporting the Woollen Manufacture, do take upon them to ship, transport, carry and convey Cloth and Woollen Manufactures of this Kingdom unto the Town of Hamburg, and other parts of Germany; whereby, and by several deceitful practices of the said Foreigners, in counterfeiting the Marks, Seals, and Tillets of persons free of the said Company, the said Trade will be in great danger of being impaired, if not totally lost to His Majesties Subjects. And the said Company having submitted it to his Majesty and his Privy Council to admit into the freedom of the said Company, any of his Subjects, whether Natives, Naturalized and Endenized, upon such Terms as His Majesty and His Privy Council shall judge reasonable: His Majesty is therefore pleased to command, That no Person or Persons, Subject or Subjects of England, Alien or Foreigner, Naturalized or Endenized, do from henceforth ship, or cause to be shipped, transported, carried, or conveyed either from London, or any other City, Town, Port, Haven, or Creek of England, Wales, or the Town of Berwick upon Tweed, any Woollen Cloth, either White Cloth, Coloured Cloth, Dreft and Dyed out of White; Cloth called Spanish Cloths, mixt or of one colour, or any Bays, Kerseys, Perpetuano's, or any Stockins, or other Woollen Commodities whatsoever, now made, or hereafter to to be made in England, unto any the Cities, Towns, Ports, or other places, within the Countries of Germany, or the seventeen Provinces of the Netherlands, saving only such persons as are or shall be free of, admitted, and continued as Members of the said Fellowship of Merchant-Adventurers of England. And that no Freemen of the said Fellowship shall ship, or cause to be shipped, transported, carried or conveyed any Cloths or Woollen Manufactures made, as aforesaid, without special Licence of the Company, into any the parts of Germany, or the seventeen Provinces of the Netherlands, save only to the Publick Marts, Staples, and Residences, declared by the Company within the parts beyond the Seas, or to one of them. And His Majesties further pleasure is, That the said Company shall admit into their Fellowship all such of His Subjects, as shall at any time hereafter desire and demand the same; paying 13 l. 6 s. 8 d. as a Fine to the Company for their admittance: That is to say, such as are of London, to be meer Merchants, and exercised in that Profession, and no Shopkeeper, and such as are of the Out-Ports, if bred in Merchandize, though Shop-keepers; provided that every such person, both of London and of the Out-Ports, do demand their Freedom, and be actually admitted into it, within one year after the date of this Proclamation: And that their Sons and Servants shall at their making Free be admitted for 6 l. 13 s. 4 d. according to the Statute of the 12th of Henry the 7th. His Majesty does likewise command, That no Person not qualified as aforesaid, presume to trade in any the Commodities, or into any the parts abovenamed, upon pain of His High Displeasure; and in case any shall neglect to take hold of the Grace offered them to be admitted into the said Company, and shall yet continue to Trade disorderly into the parts aforesaid, and out of the Mart and Staple-Towns of the Company, His Majesty shall not only have cause for the future utterly to deny them this Grace, but will require a strict account of them for such their Contempt and Neglect, and take such course as shall be fitting for their Punishment, and for the future restraint of such Disorders. And to the end that the Charters and Government of the said Fellowship may be the better put in execution, and all Offenders against the same be discovered and brought to Justice, and such Punishments inflicted on them, as by their said Charters, Orders, and Constitutions ought to be inflicted on such as wilfully and contemptuously transgress against the same, and his Majesties Proclamation in pursuance thereof; His Majesty is pleased to command, as well the Judges of His High Court of Admiralty, as the Marshals and under Officers of the same, as also the Commissioners or Farmers of his Customs, and all other Officers attending the service of His Customs outwards, as also all His Admirals, Vice-Admirals, Commanders, Captains, and Officers whatsoever of His Ships, or any of His Castles, Block-Houses, and Forts respectively, and all other His Officers and Ministers, in their several places, to be assisting unto the said Company, and all such as they shall employ in all matters tending to the supportation of the Government of the said Company, and regulating of their Trade, and for the Preservation of the Priviledges, Jurisdictions and Franchises, granted or confirmed unto them by His Majesty or His Royal Predecessors.

Whitehall, July 2. This day the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of the City of *London*, in a Body waited on His Majesty in the Banquetting House, to Congratulate His Having Deliverance from the late Bloody and Traiterous Conspiracy; and humbly presented the following Address, which His Majesty was pleased graciously to receive. And Mr. Recorder having first Prayed leave of His Majesty, they likewise waited on His Royal Highness, and Mr. Recorder made their Compliment to him on the same Occasion.

To the Kings Most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Commons of the City of London, *in Common Council Assembled.*

SHEWETH,

THat we Your most Loyal and Dutiful Subjects, having with Astonishment received the Discovery of a most Traiterous and Horrid Conspiracy, of divers Ill affected and Desperate Persons, to compass the Death and Destruction of Your Royal Person, and of Your Dearest Brother *James* Duke of *York*; and that to effect the same, they have held several Treasonable Consultations, to Levy Men, and to make an Insurrection, and made great Provision of Arms; A Design notoriously tending to the present Destruction, not only of Your best Subjects, but of the Sacred Person of Your Majesty, the best of Princes, and to Involve this and the future Generation in Confusion, Blood, and Misery; carried on, notwithstanding their specious Pretences, by known Dissenting Conventiclers, and Atheistical Persons,

And having in the first place offered up our solemn Thanks to Almighty God, for His watchful Providence in bringing to Light this Impious and Execrable Machination;

We do in the next place humbly offer to Your Majesty the deep Resentments of our Loyal Hearts concerning the same, and beg Your Majesty to rest fully Assured, That no Interest in this World is valuable to us in comparison of Your Majesties Safety and Safety; for which we are Determined readily to Expose our Lives and Fortunes in Defence of Your Majesties Person, Your Heirs and Successors, and your Government Established in Church and State, and particularly, for Discovering, Defeating, and Destroying all such Conspiracies, Associations, and Attempts whatsoever.

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